

**APPROVED MINUTES
CITY OF MILPITAS
YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION**

Minutes: Regular Meeting of the Youth Advisory Commission
Date of Meeting: Thursday, March 9, 2006
Time of Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
Place of Meeting: 1325 E. Calaveras Blvd. Milpitas Teen Center

A. ROLL CALL

Vice Chair Ullal called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

Commissioners Present:

Aditya Ullal, Lorden Fok, Jay Kumar, and Nida Asif

Alternates Present:

Josephine Fong

Commissioners Absent:

Joseph Hall, Danielle Yee, Roxanne Lachance, Danielle Yee, Alex Tran, Ha La (excused), Jason Nguyen, Larry Le and Sareen Sandhu

City Council Present:

Debbie Giordano

City Staff Present:

Samu Tiumalu, Program Coordinator

Dale Flunoy, Program Coordinator

B. SEATING OF ALTERNATES:

Vice Chair Aditya Ullal sat Josephine Fong for Roxanne Lachance.

C. FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

D. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION to adopt the minutes from Thursday, February 9, 2006 was made.

M/S: Asif/Kumar **Ayes:** All

E. CITIZENS FORUM

F. ANNOUNCEMENT

G. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION to move the City Council Liaison report before New Business.

M/S: Asif/Fok **Ayes:** All

MOTION to adopt the amended agenda for the Thursday, March 9, 2006 meeting.

M/S: Asif/Kumar **Ayes:** All

H. OLD BUSINESS

1. Media Report:

Program Coordinator Tiumalu distributed the March article created by Vice Chair Ullal for the commission's review. Commissioner Kumar and Fok suggested some changes made to the text to read more clearly. Commissioner Asif suggested running the article in the Milpitas High School's Trojan Torch since teens don't read the Milpitas Post on a regular basis. After further discussion, the commission decided to submit the article to the Milpitas Post and the Trojan Torch by April.

MOTION was made to move forward with the article for the month of March written by Vice Chair Ullal.

M/S: Asif/Kumar

Ayes: All

The commission then started a conversation about their article for the month of April. Vice Chair Ullal reminded the commission of possible topics discussed at the February meeting, Graffiti Terminators, YAC Attack and the Alcohol Awareness Bookmark. After further discussion, the commission decided to have Chair Hall write an article on the YAC Attack after he attends the Conference on Saturday, March 25, 2006. If Chair Hall is unable to attend the conference, Commissioner's Fong and Kumar would write an article on the Alcohol Awareness Bookmark and bring back to the commission in April for final approval.

MOTION was made to have Chair Hall write an article on the YAC Attack and if he were unable to attend the YAC Attack conference, Commissioner's Fong and Kumar would create an article on the commission's Alcohol Awareness Bookmark.

M/S: Asif/Kumar

Ayes: All

2. Alcohol Awareness Bookmark

Program Coordinator Tiumalu distributed suggested text submitted by Commissioner's Sandhu and Nguyen through email. Commissioner Fong distributed a design to be considered for the bookmark. The commission discussed having more visual items versus text to create a more appealing marketing piece for the commission. The commission then discussed other topics such as tobacco, marijuana and other drugs to be included on the bookmark. After much discussion, the commission decided to concentrate on the alcohol and marijuana. Program Coordinator Flunoy requested Commissioner Fong to email the design she created to City staff. Vice Chair Ullal recommended having the information updated on the bookmark to reflect more accurate statistics.

MOTION was made to accept the new designed created by Commissioner Fong and bring a draft back to the April 6, meeting for approval.

M/S: Asif/Fong

Ayes: All

3. Graffiti Terminators:

Vice Chair Ullal reported that their first painting day was very successful with a total of 15 teens assisting with the project. The commission was expected to complete one (1) wall but due to the attendance, they were able to complete two (2) walls and a fence line completing the project. Program Coordinator Tiumalu distributed an email sent by Chris Schaller of the Neighborhood Preservation division requesting the commission's assistance with a project site. Program Coordinator Flunoy stated he had some concerns with the locations of the sites and not having adult supervision. Program Coordinator Tiumalu also stated he had some concerns having the commission eradicate gang related tagging without adults being present. Vice Chair Ullal suggested having three (3) commissioners, one (1) City staff

representative and one (1) parent volunteer for every Graffiti Terminator project. After much discussion, Vice Chair Ullal said he would contact Chris Schaller to discuss future projects. Note, receipt and file.

4. Students Taking Action Now: Dafur (S.T.A.N.D) update

Program Coordinator Flunoy reported the he had discussed this issue with Recreation Manager Bonnie Greiner and it was suggested that the Youth Advisory Commission not take part in the project due to its political nature. He also suggested that the commission be more involved with the youth in Milpitas first, before taking on projects outside of Milpitas.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. Open Government Ordinance Training Video

Since there were only five (5) commissioners in attendance, Coordinator Flunoy gave the commission the option of watching the video tonight or at the next meeting. The commission decided to receive the training at the April meeting. Coordinator Tiumalu stated the video would be shown at the next meeting regardless of attendance. Commissioners not in attendance would be required to attend the training on another date slated by City staff.

MOTION was made to re-agendize the Open Government Ordinance Training video for the April 6, 2006, meeting.

M/S: Asif/Kumar

Ayes: All

J. OTHER BUSINESS

1. City Council Liaison Report

Councilmember Giordano reported that the City Council had reviewed a proposal for a possible Piercy Toyota dealership near the Great Mall. She also reported that the City had hired an outside consultant firm to oversee the Library construction project. She also stated that the City Council is looking to change the City from a General Law city to a Charter city.

2. Staff Report

Program Coordinator Samu Tiumalu reported that the Teen Center was averaging 27 teens per day, and that the Teen Center would be holding Club Fat Sam's on Friday, March 10. He also stated the Teen Center will be partnering with the South Bay School of Music Arts to hold another Band Night on Friday, March 24, 2006, from 6-10pm. Local bands Robert Chao, Azreal, Kid Moe and The Have Nots will be performing. Program Coordinator Flunoy reminded the commission of the Commissioner's Recognition scheduled for Tuesday, April 4, 2006, at 7:00pm in City Hall. RSVP is required for the event.

3. Future Agenda Items

- Media Report
- Alcohol Awareness Bookmark
- Graffiti Terminators
- Open Government Ordinance training video

K. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Hall adjourned the meeting at 8:01 p.m. to Thursday, April 6, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. at the Milpitas Teen Center.

Respectfully Submitted,
Samu Tiumalu

